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"THIS MAN
IS LUCKY."



"HE FELL **TWENTY STORIES**
AND ALL HE ENDED UP WITH
WAS A **FRACTURED RIB** AND
A **PULMONARY CONUSION**."



"OTHER THAN
THAT, HE'S
PERFECTLY FINE."

"GOD MUST HAVE
BEEN LOOKING
OUT FOR HIM."

"YOU BELIEVE
IN GOD, DOC?"

"TWELVE YEARS
OF CATHOLIC
SCHOOL, BUT..."

"ANY OF YOUR PATIENTS
HAVE ONE OF THEM
NEAR-DEATH
EXPERIENCES?"

OR SEEN
A LIGHT AT THE
END OF THE
TUNNEL?



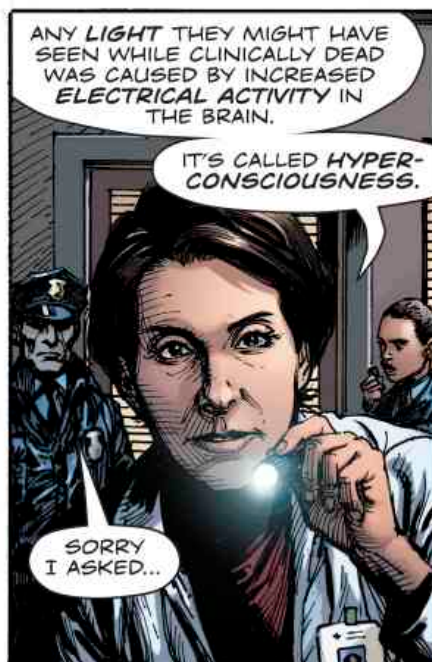
QUITE A FEW,
ACTUALLY.



SO
THERE IS A
HEAVEN...

ANY LIGHT THEY MIGHT HAVE
SEEN WHILE CLINICALLY DEAD
WAS CAUSED BY INCREASED
ELECTRICAL ACTIVITY IN
THE BRAIN.

IT'S CALLED **HYPER-
CONSCIOUSNESS**.



SORRY
I ASKED...

THE DRUGS HE'S
ON SHOULD KEEP
HIM ASLEEP FOR A
FEW HOURS...

WHERE ARE
THE POLICE
TRANSFERRING
HIM TO?



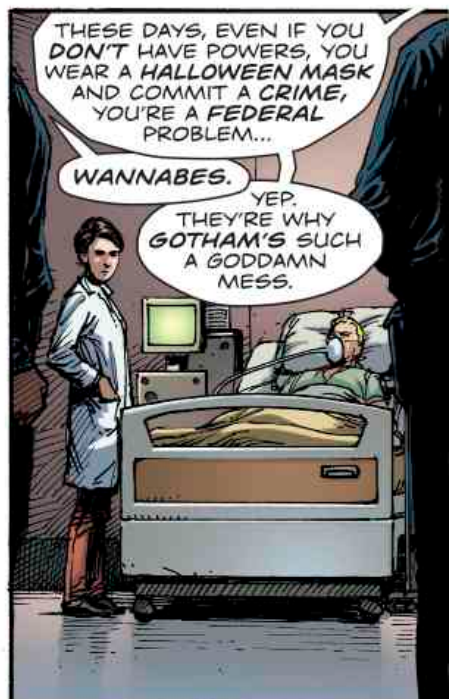
THE
POLICE?

HE TRIED TO KILL
LEX LUTHOR WEARING
GOLDEN PAJAMAS AND
A PURPLE CAPE.



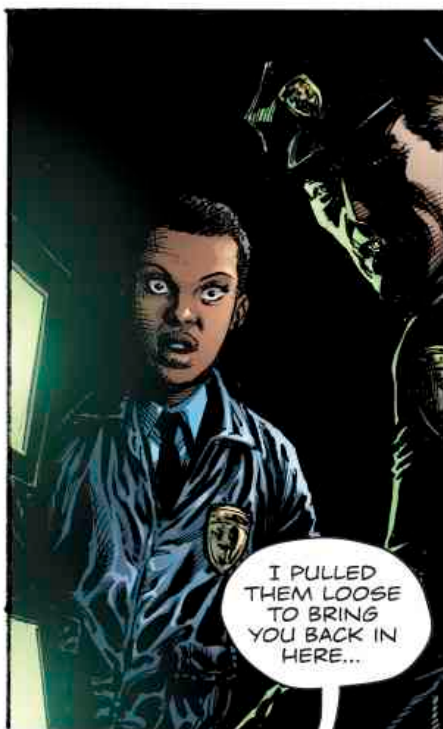
WHAT
HAPPENS TO
HIM IS WAY
ABOVE OUR PAY
GRADE.





THERE IS NO GOD











"WE MUST
SAVE OUR
FUTURE."

I CAN'T
WEAR REAL
LEATHER!



IT'S
OUTLAWED
WHERE I COME
FROM.

WHERE DO
YOU COME
FROM?

OH, WAIT.
LEATHER'S
FAKE. THIS
IS FINE.



DON'T
EVEN KNOW
REAL NAME.

DOE, JOHN.
MASK, FORK
KNIFE (BROKEN)



MINE? NOT
IMPORTANT.

BUT
YOU CAN
CALL ME
SATURN
GIRL.



YOU DON'T KNOW
SALLY JUPITER BY
CHANCE...

ONLY
FROM WHAT
YOU KNOW.

HHH?

YOU
DIDN'T RESPECT
HER VERY MUCH.
BUT HER
DAUGHTER...

YOU
THOUGHT
SHE WAS
CUTE.



WHAT ARE
YOU DOING?

I CAN
READ
MINDS.

THEN DON'T
NEED TO EXPLAIN
MISSION. WHY
HELP ME?



BECAUSE
I LIKE HELPING
PEOPLE.

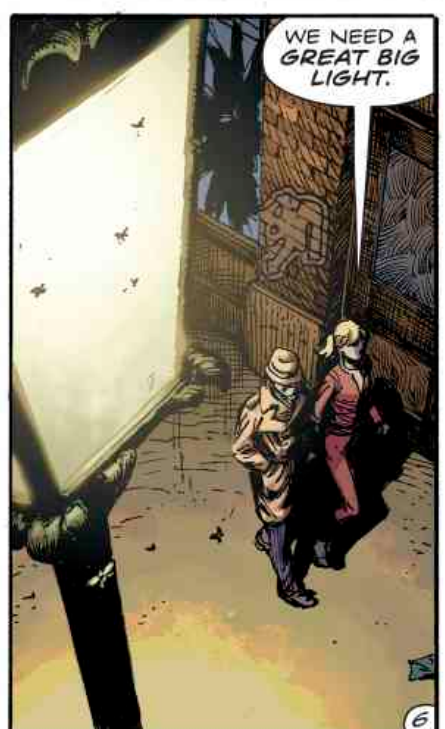


NEED TO FIND
MANHATTAN.

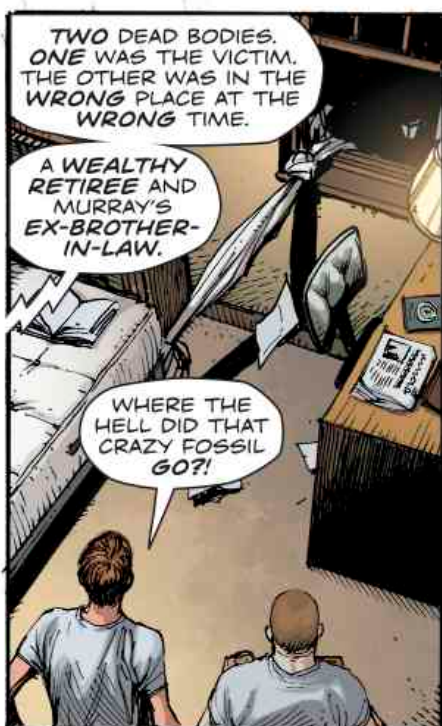
SO LET'S
GO GET
HIM!

ANY
IDEAS?

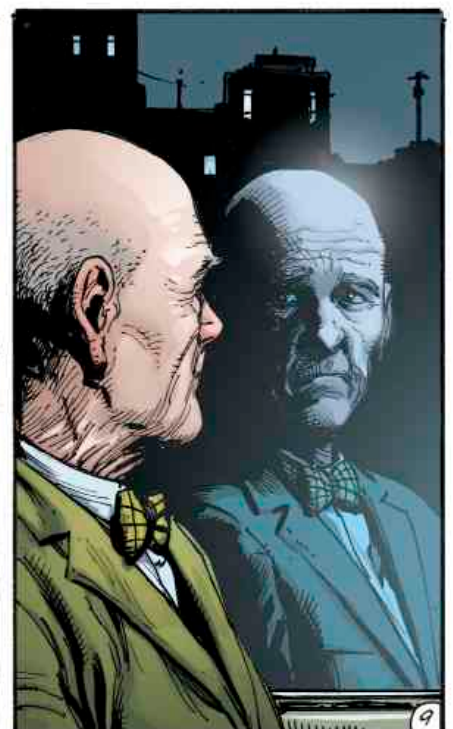
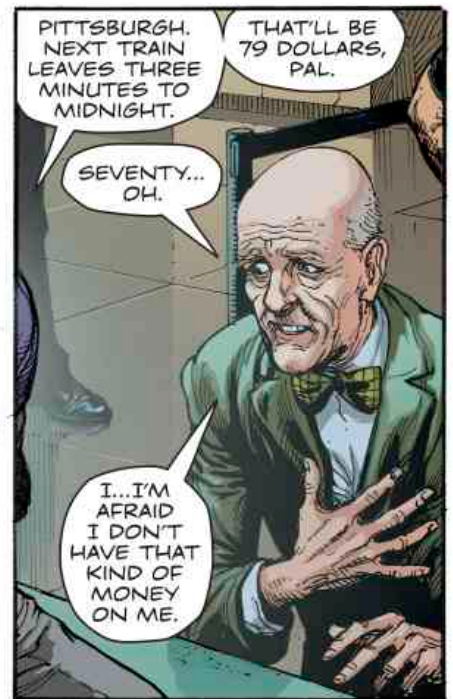
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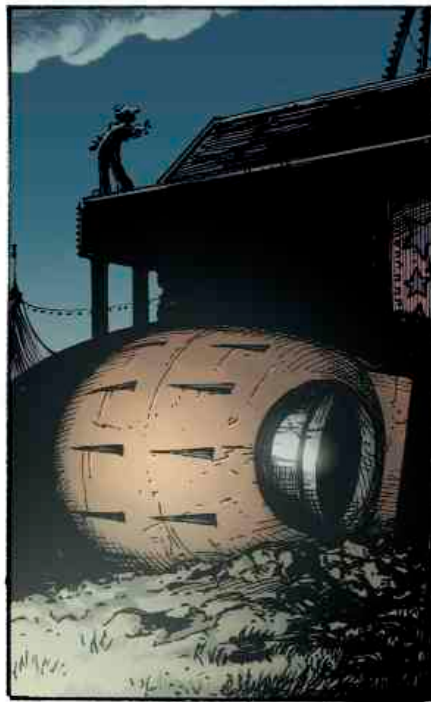
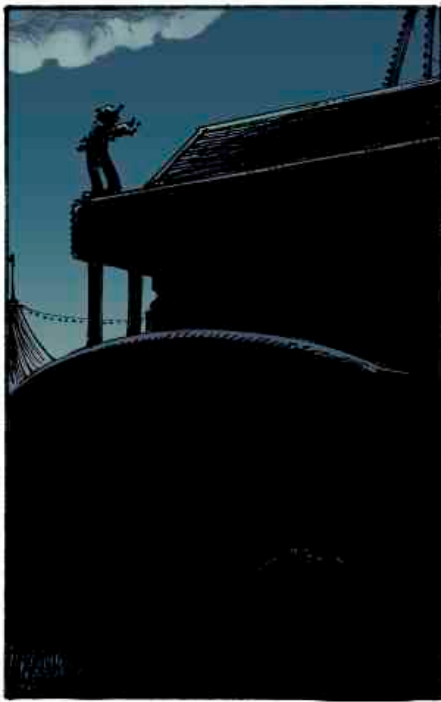


WE NEED A
GREAT BIG
LIGHT.













PUH-
PLEASE.

PLEASE
DON'T DO
THAT!



YAAAGGGAGG!



OH, SHIT.
OH, JESUS.
TAKE THE MONEY!
TAKE ALL
OF IT!

TAKE YOUR
MONEY?



YOUR BILLS
DON'T HAVE
NIXON ON
THEM.

WHAT?

THEY'RE
USELESS
TO US.

WHAT ARE
YOU TALKIN'
ABOUT?

WE DON'T WANT
YOUR FUNNY
MONEY. WE WANT
YOUR BOSS.



WE
WANT THE
JOKER.

HIS CREW
TRIED TO HURT US.
BECAUSE WE WERE
WEARING MAKEUP
IN ONE OF HIS
CLUBS.

APPARENTLY,
THAT'S A DEATH
SENTENCE.

HE'LL HAVE
TO ANSWER
FOR THAT.



WHERE
IS HE?

I DON'T KNOW
WHERE HE IS NOW.
NO ONE DOES. BUT
HE'S GOT A PLAN.
T-TONIGHT.

WE'RE
ALL MEETIN'
AT THE
LIGHT!

WHAT
LIGHT?



THAT
ONE.







RORSCHACH
ESCAPED.

OF
COURSE
HE DID.

BUT WE
HAVE MORE
IMMEDIATE
CONCERNS
AT THE
MOMENT.



RAVEN TWO,
THIS IS SCOUT ONE,
WE HAVE OUR EYES
ON THE BIRD.



YEAH, THE NAME'S
FIRESTORM AND I'M A
METAHUMAN. YOU GOT
THAT PART RIGHT!

BUT I DIDN'T GET
MY POWERS FROM SOME
SECRET U.S. GOVERNMENT
PROGRAM. I GOT THEM FROM
AN ACCIDENT LIKE A TON
OF MY FRIENDS DID.

THE
SUPERMEN
THEORY IS
TOTAL
BULLSHIT.

AND
POZHAR IS AN
ASSHOLE!



WHAT...

NO,
I WON'T WATCH
MY LANGUAGE!

WHO CARES,
PROFESSOR?!

THEY'RE
CALLING ME
A LIAR!



OH,
FIRESTORM
IS ONE OF
THEM.

LIKE
METAMORPHO.
MAN-BAT.
CLAYFACE.
ME.

LIVING
WEAPONS
MADE IN THE
GOOD OL'
U.S. OF A.

YOU
CAN'T
TRUST
ANY OF
US.



...DISTURBING VIDEO SURFACED
TODAY OF AMERICAN JOURNALIST
JACK RYDER, MISSING FOR
THREE MONTHS AFTER HE WAS
ABDUCTED BY **KING KOBRA** IN
NORTHERN **KAHNDQA**...

THE TIME
HAS COME
FOR AMERICA'S
STRANGLEHOLD
ON HUMANITY
TO END.

KALI YUGA
WILL CLEANSE
THIS WORLD OF
FALSE HEROES...



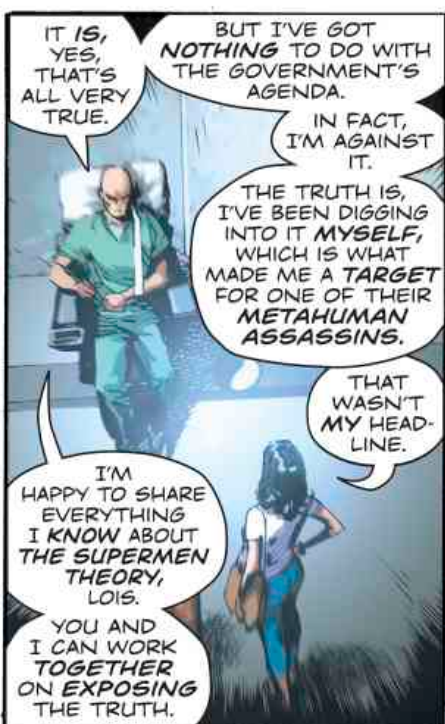
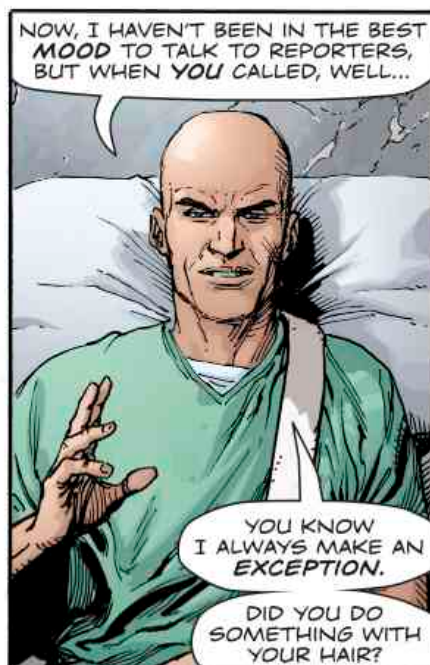
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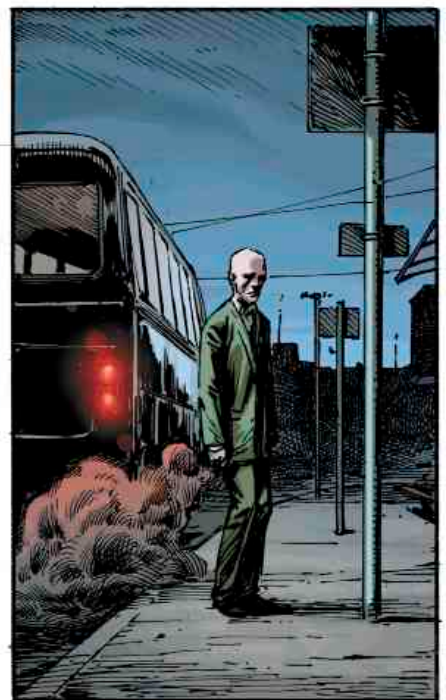
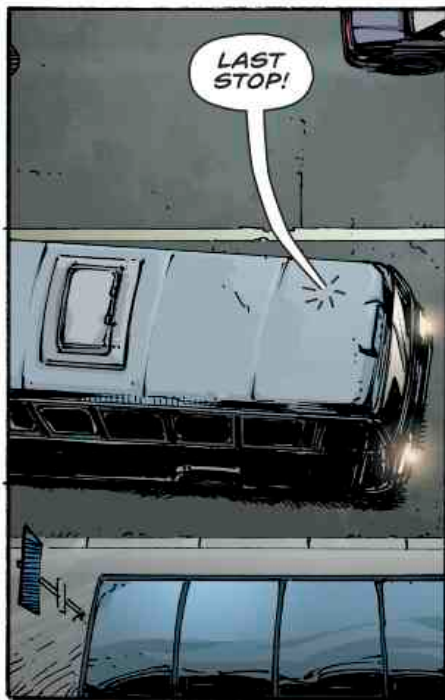


SHIT,
I HOPE YOU
RECORDED
THAT!

SERVES
YOU RIGHT,
MOTHERF









THEY MUST HAVE TRIED
TO MELT IT DOWN WITH
THE REST OF THE
SCRAP...



THIS
PLACE IS
LOADED!



WE CAN
SELL THIS
SHIT. GET
SOME
CASH.

HAHAHAHA.
YEAH!

HEY,
WAIT A
SECOND!

WHO'S
THAT?



HE
SECURITY?

SECURITY?
NAW. HE'S
LOST.

MAYBE
HE'S GOT
SOMETHIN'!



YEAH!
YOU GOT
SOMETHIN',
OLD MAN?!

NO. I'M
SEARCHING FOR
SOMETHING.

I'M
LOOKING
FOR MY
FRIENDS.

GIMME
WHAT YOU
GOT!



GIMME YOUR WALLET
BEFORE I POKE OUT
YOUR EYES!

AAA!



PLEASE!
PLEASE,
LEAVE ME
ALONE!



HELP!



LOOKIT THE
OLD FART
GO!

HAHAHA!

WE'LL
GIVE YOU
A FIVE-
SECOND
LEAD!





"TO OBSERVE THE
FUTILITY OF YOUR
COLORFUL LIVES?"

"OR DID HE COME
HERE BELIEVING HE
WOULD BLEND IN?"



ISN'T THIS
LIVELY!

I HOPE
THEY HAVE
FIREWORKS!



"I WEANED
MY WORLD OFF
GASOLINE
AND OIL."



I CURED FAMINE
AND DISEASE.

I NEGOTIATED
NUCLEAR
DISARMAMENT.

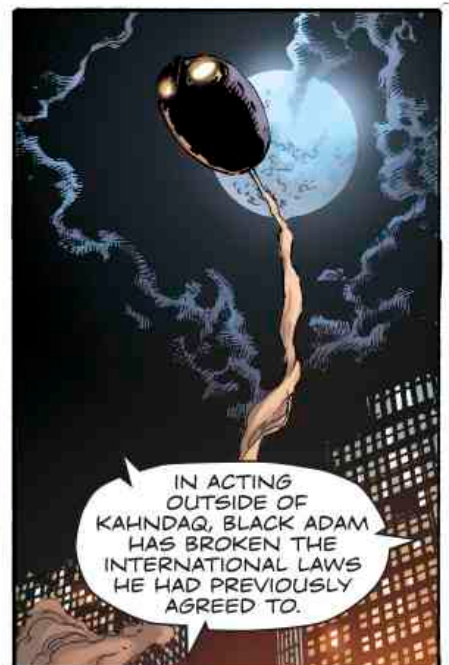
...EARLIER TODAY,
KAHNDAQ'S MYTHIC
CHAMPION BLACK ADAM
RESCUED AN AMERICAN
JOURNALIST FROM THE
CLUTCHES OF KING KOBRA.



FOR THE LAST MONTH,
HE HAS ATTACKED THIS
GROWING TERRORIST
GROUP ACROSS
KAHNDAQ.

BUT TODAY...
THIS EVENT TOOK
PLACE 450 MILES
NORTH OF
KAHNDAQ...

IN
SYRIA.



IN ACTING
OUTSIDE OF
KAHNDAQ, BLACK ADAM
HAS BROKEN THE
INTERNATIONAL LAWS
HE HAD PREVIOUSLY
AGREED TO.



SHNNNN!

AND NOW,
A VIDEO MESSAGE
FOLLOWING THE
ATTACK TODAY HAS
SURFACED...



I SAY TO ALL METAHUMANS
WHO HAVE BEEN HUNTED BY
THEIR OWN GOVERNMENTS OR
FORCED INTO SERVICE: COME
TO KAHNDAQ.

WE WILL
WELCOME ANY
METAHUMANS
WHO SEEK
ASYLUM.

I TURNED
THE WORLD
UPSIDE DOWN.



I DID WHATEVER
I HAD TO, TO TRY
AND SAVE IT.

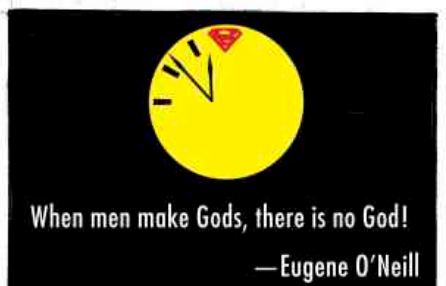
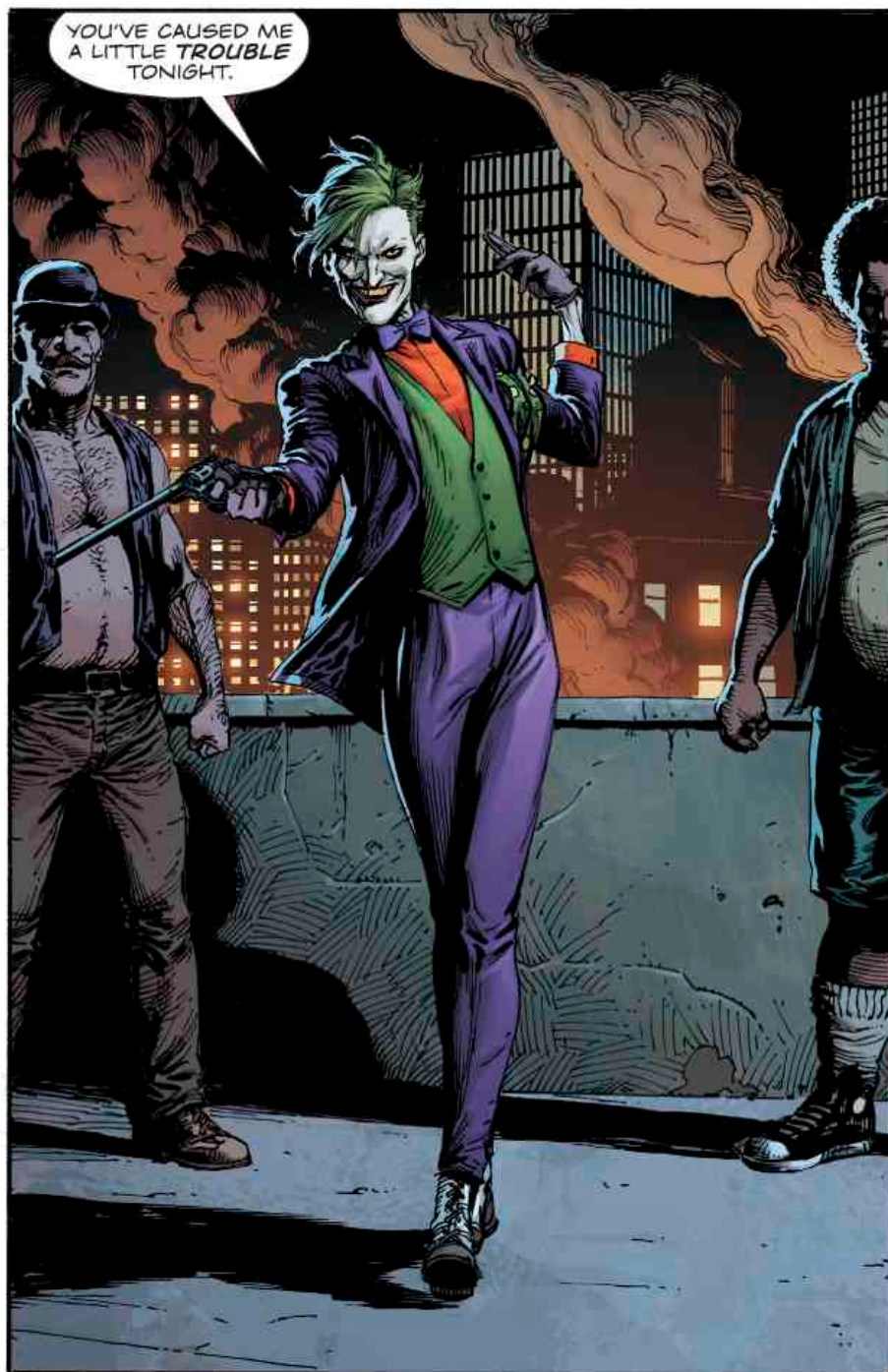
AND, YES,
I FAILED.

BUT WHAT
HAVE YOU
TRIED TO DO
TO MAKE THIS
WORLD A
BETTER
PLACE?









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TROUBLE **ALERT**



SPECIAL REPORT

The Metahuman Menace

GOOD LIFE HOME FOR THE ELDERLY
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The Metahuman Menace

The Rise of the Metahuman-American

Is it true there can be too much of a good thing? Over 97 percent of the world's metahumans identify themselves as American. The Supermen Theory proposes that the United States government, inspired by Superman, established the Department of Metahuman Affairs and began a decade-long program to create their own superhuman soldiers. The Department identified those with a metagene (labeled meta-positive) and put these test subjects through acts of "distress" in hopes of triggering their metagene. Once transformed, these metahumans are assigned to a scripted "super-hero and super-villain" narrative, training in plain sight, but ready to be called into action by the U.S. government at any time. The President has continued to deny these accusations, recently calling the Supermen Theory "to-

tal trash." However, many metahumans have already stepped forward and admitted their involvement. TROUBLE ALERT continues its running tally.

METAMORPHO

During a tax fraud investigation into industrialist Simon Stagg, government documents from the Department of Metahuman Affairs leaked to the public revealing an elaborate ruse: Soldier-for-hire Rex Mason was identified as meta-positive by the department and purposely exposed to an ancient energy source in an attempt to trigger his metamorphosis into a metahuman. Dubbed **Metamorpho**, Mason is considered the first manufactured super-hero. Found guilty of tax fraud, Simon Stagg fled the country and is currently missing, along with Metamorpho.



Over 97% of the world's metahumans are American. But those numbers look to be changing.

DOC DREAD



According to government documents, one of the members of Metamorpho's rogues gallery was in fact Rex Mason's childhood friend, Bobby Fradon. Recruited to play the part of a supervillain, Fradon donned the garb of "**Doc Dread**" and wielded a variety of chemical weapons.

LADY CLAYFACE

Sondra Fuller was a member of a cell of the terrorist group King Kobra. Later recruited as a double agent by the Department of Metahuman Affairs, Fuller underwent what she says were horrific experiments in order to trigger her metagene.



MAN-BAT

Dr. Kirk Langstrom's research was funded by the Department of Metahuman Affairs. Transforming into the monstrous **Man-Bat**, Dr. Langstrom vanished after he went public with his connection to the Supermen Theory.



ELEMENT GIRL



Agent Urania "Rainie" Blackwell was a spy for the United States, recruited by the Department of Metahuman Affairs after they discovered she was meta-positive. Exposed to the same ancient energy source as Rex Mason, Blackwell was transformed into **Element Girl**. Revealed to be unstable, she was discharged from her position. She later committed suicide.

STINGAREE



Element Girl's former lover, Agent Samuel Reese, was recruited to play the role of a crime lord to battle Metamorpho. He died in a helicopter crash not long after.



FIRESTORM

His secret origin unrevealed, **Firestorm** has denied any ties to the Department of Metahuman Affairs or the Supermen Theory. Like his Russian counterpart, Pozhar, Firestorm is a being of immense power, the limits of which are unknown.

KILLER FROST

Dr. Louise Lincoln recently stepped forward, claiming both she and her "enemy" Firestorm were created by the Department of Metahuman Affairs. She has continued to identify several other metahumans as part of the Department's program, including Captain Atom, Firehawk, Moonbow and Typhoon.



The Metahuman Arms Race Heats Up



POZHAR Mikhail Denisovich Arkadiev, a husband and father, was thought killed in Chernobyl in 1986. Years later, he returned as a living nuclear reactor. Nearly impervious and able to transmute elements, the upper limitations of Pozhar's powers remain untested.

THE PEOPLE'S HEROES

Black Eagle
Firebird
Lady Flash
Morozko
Negative Woman
Perun
Red Star
Rusalka
Snow Owl
Steel Wolf
Tundra
Vikhor
Vostok

JUSTICE LEAGUE EUROPE

Fleur-de-Lis
The Hunchback
Musketeer
Nightrunner
Thief of Arts



CRIMSON FOX

After being cleared of murder, Crimson Fox returned to Paris and was quickly designated the leader of Justice League Europe. Once linked to Metamorpho romantically, she again finds herself in the middle of controversy. With superhuman strength, speed, reflexes and claws that can cut through promethium, she remains one of the world's most underestimated metahumans.

FRANCE

KNIGHTS INC.

Beaumont
Canterbury Cricket
Crusader
Godiva
Golden Pharaoh
The Hood
Jack O'Lantern
Looking Glass
Lionheart
Mrs. Hyde
Ridge
Silent Knight
The Squire
Templar



THE KNIGHT

Little is known of the newest person to take on the identity of the Knight save that she is the first female to do so. Ordained by the Queen, Knights Inc. has rapidly grown, protecting the borders of the United Kingdom.

UNITED KINGDOM

HAYOTH
Dybduk
Golem
Judith
Pteradon
Ramban



SERAPH The controversial Israeli metahuman known as Seraph claims to wield the Staff of Moses, the mantle of Elijah and the ring of Solomon. Leader of the metahuman group Hayoth, Seraph has kept the true number of his teammates a secret. It is rumored that the three most powerful metahumans on the planet are members of Hayoth. However, there is speculation that this is little more than propaganda created by the Israeli government.

ISRAEL

THE OUTSIDERS

Baroness
Bedlam
The Eradicator
Knightfall
Terra IV
Wylde

MARKOVIA



GEO-FORCE

Royal leader of Markovia, Prince Brion Markov was one of the first metahumans created outside of America's programs. Dr. Helga Jace, author of the Superman Theory, transformed the young prince into a metahuman. With power over gravity and the Earth itself, Geo-Force became Markovia's protector and an international hero. He once worked alongside the Batman, something Prince Markov has publicly denied.

THE GREAT TWENTY

Accomplished
Perfect Physician
Bat-Man
August General in Iron
Celestial Archer
Dao
The Flash
Ghost Fox Killer
Gloss
Guanxi
Immortal Man in Darkness
Mother of Champions
Night-Dragon
Ri
Seven Deadly Brothers
Shaolin Robot
Socialist Red Guardsman



Striker Z
Thundermind
Wonder-Woman

THE NEW SUPER-MAN

Kong Kenan was recently revealed to be the name behind China's Super-Man. There are several different stories circulating about the New Super-Man's origins, many of which indicate he has no connection to Superman himself.

CHINA

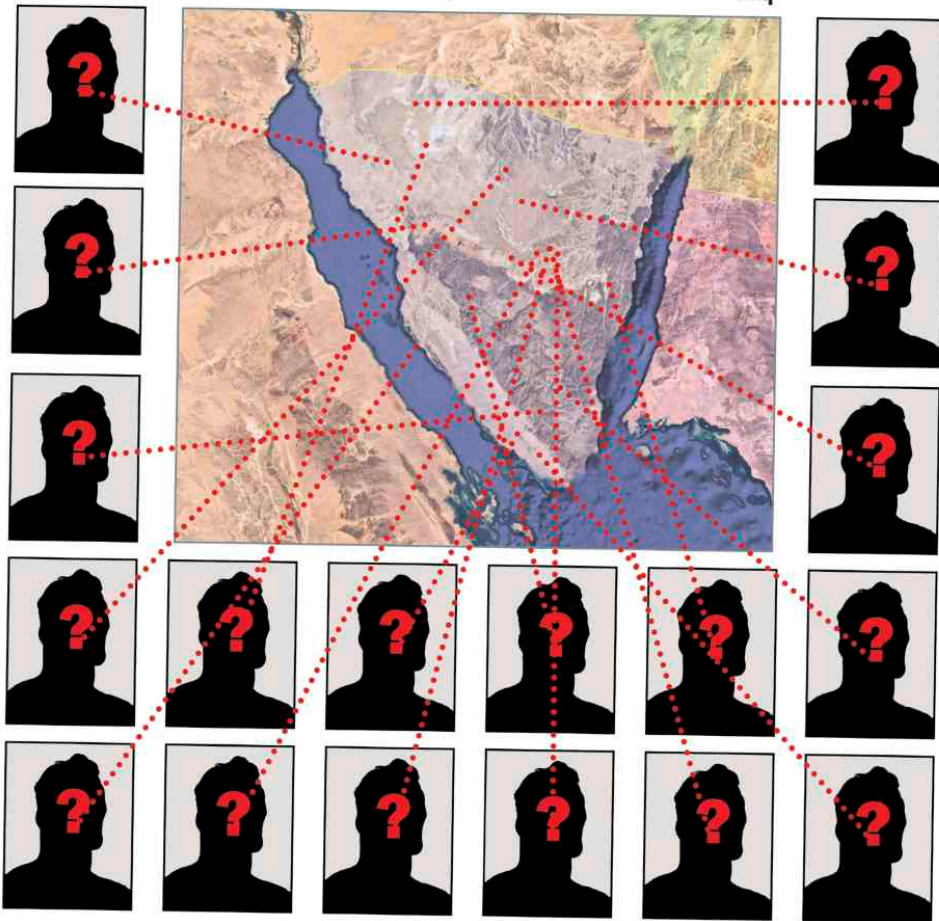
In the wake of the Superman

Theory, countries across the world have turned their attention and resources away from nuclear arsenals and toward building metahuman armies. World leaders are aggressively pursuing and recruiting metahumans. Some are even scanning their populace, thanks to new technology by Lexcorp, in hopes of finding those rare few with a metagene. Once identified meta-positive, the subjects are put through "traumatic events" in an attempt to trigger metamorphosis into a metahuman. The metahumans listed here do not represent every foreign metahuman, but those known to be aligned with their government.

The Troubled Past—and Future—of Kahndaq

Once the most dangerous nation in the world, Kahndaq now appears to be the safest. At least for those who live within it. Located on the southern tip of the Sinai Peninsula, Kahndaq has been plagued for centuries by dictators, civil wars and genocide...until an ancient myth, that of the Mighty Adam, became a reality.

Confirmed satellite sightings of unregistered metahumans in Kahndaq



A “Super” Invitation

In a recent message that surfaced online, Black Adam offered asylum to metahumans from across the world. Concern grows as to what Adam's true intentions are. Is he creating a metahuman army of his own? Do his actions in Syria indicate a desire to act outside of Kahndaq? And with all of the tension in the world focused on the Metahuman Arms Race, will there be anyone there to stop him? And the most controversial question of them all: If Kahndaq has indeed become a place of peace and prosperity under his rule...should they?

BLACK ADAM, SAVIOR OR SINNER?

There is a legend in Kahndaq about a magical champion called the Mighty Adam who helped free the people from slavery and the rule of Prince Ahk-Ton. But their freedom was short-lived as the Mighty Adam disappeared soon after. Thousands of years later, a man claiming to be the Mighty Adam, now calling himself Black Adam, reappeared. He battled the Shazam family in Philadelphia before returning to Kahndaq where he confronted and slaughtered the then-dictator and his army. In confrontations with more of America's metahumans, Adam agreed to stay within the borders of Kahndaq, a country where he was celebrated as a hero. However, the day the U.S. and Russian militaries began to withdraw from the Middle East, Adam entered Syria to confront King Cobra.

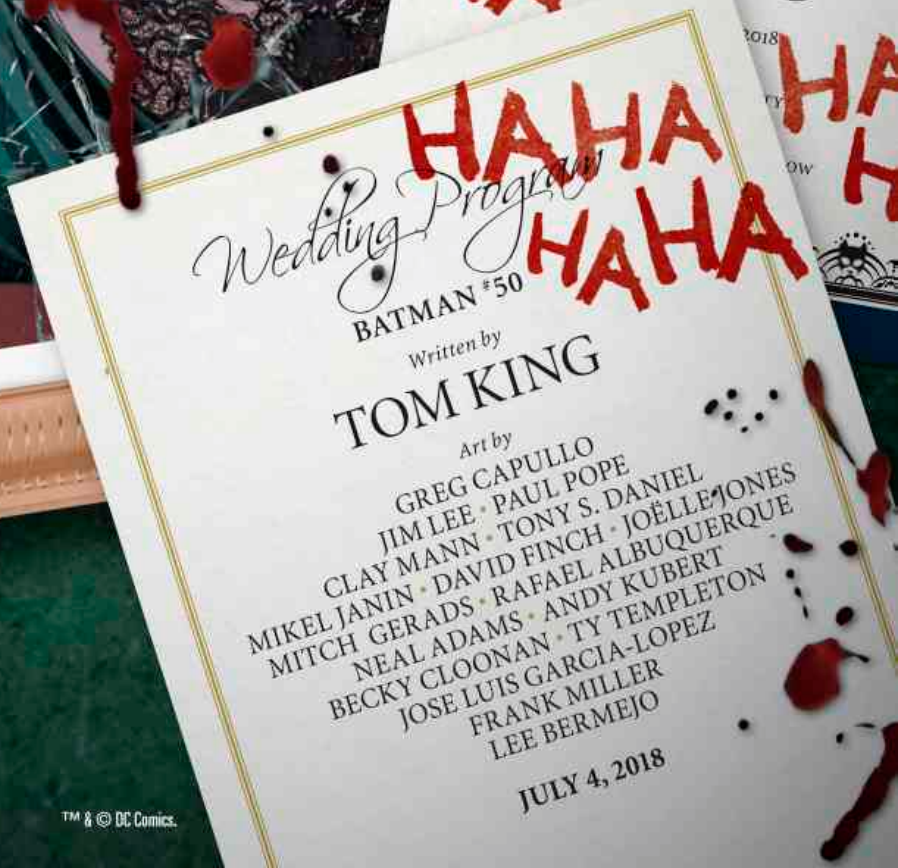
VISIT METROPOLIS!

THE SAFEST CITY IN THE WORLD!

*Catch a glimpse
of Superman!*



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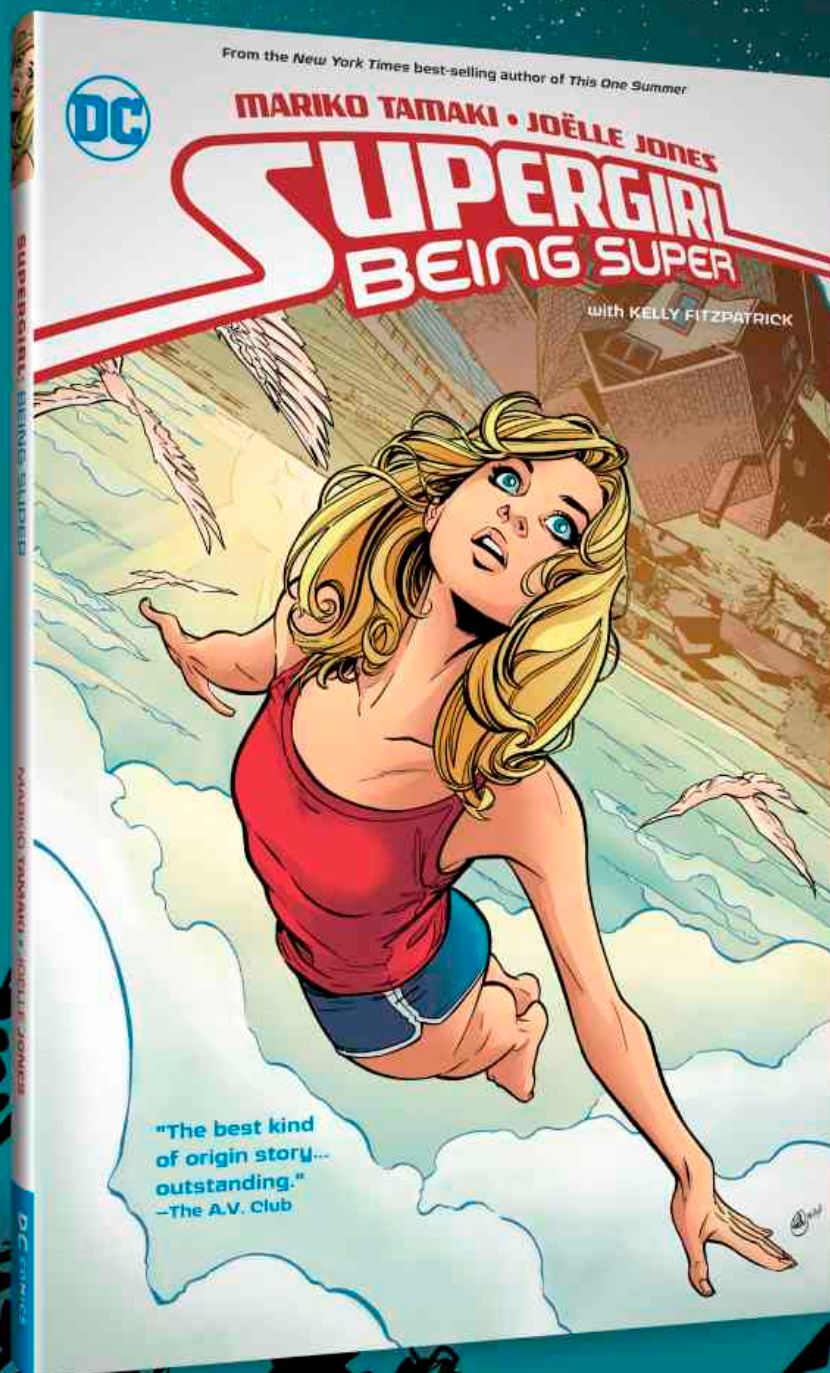


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MARIKO TAMAKI

AND EISNER AWARD-NOMINATED ARTIST

JOËLLE JONES



"THE BEST KIND
OF ORIGIN STORY...
OUTSTANDING."

—A.V. CLUB/THE ONION

"A GATEWAY FOR
NEW READERS."

—HOLLYWOOD REPORTER

"GORGEOUSLY
RENDERED."

—NERDIST

**SUPERGIRL
BEING SUPER**

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The Last Kryptonian-DCP

